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### Congressional Inquiries:

**Rep. Todd Akin** (Mo.) – Letter – 2/7/12: Concerns about soil test data and analysis conducted on Strecker Forest Development property in the city of Wildwood. Contact: LaTonya Sanders, 7555 (open)

**Rep. Lee Terry** (Neb) – Meeting 2/2/12: Requesting latest update on Omaha site and access agreements. Contact: Sarah Hatch, 7199 (closed)

**Rep. Jeff Fortenberry** (Neb): Meeting 2/2/12: Requesting information on Brownfield and Superfund sites in Nebraska. Contact: Sarah Hatch, 7199 (open)

**Sen. Ben Nelson** (Neb): Meeting 2/3/12: Requesting that EPA attend a meeting with the Norfolk Chamber of Council – Green Council. Contact: Sarah Hatch, 7199 (open)

### State Government Inquiries:

**Legislative Liaison** (Iowa) – Requesting informal review of multiple bills. Contact: Sarah Hatch, 7199 (open)

### Press Inquiries:

**St. Louis Beacon** – Dave Bauer – 2/7/12: Questions about West Lake Landfill, Bridgeton, Mo. Contact: Chris Whitley, 7394 (open)

**KWMU Public Radio, St. Louis** – Maria Altman – 2/8/12: Questions about consent decree with Metropolitan St. Louis Sewer District. Contact: Chris Whitley, 7394 (open)

**Inside EPA** - Suzanne Yohannan – 2/9/12: Questions regarding Kansas Army Ammunition Plant and pesticides. Contact: David Bryan, 7433 (open)

**Columbia Missourian** – Jessica Clark – 2/14/12: Questions regarding Cross State Air Pollution Rule and air monitoring in central Missouri. Referred to EPA headquarters and Missouri Department of Natural Resources. Contact: David Bryan, 7433 (closed)

### Environmental Stories:

**Kansas City InfoZine - New Fuel Standards Would Save Consumers Thousands in Gasoline Costs** - 2/15/12 - In a recent Consumer Reports survey, consumers demonstrated strong support for fuel efficiency standards, a desire for alternative fuel vehicle options and a willingness to pay for more efficient technology. <http://www.infozine.com/news/stories/op/storiesView/sid/50750/>

**Kansas Rural Water Association - EPA Regional Director Doesn't Foresee Numeric Standards for Nitrogen Levels in Water** - 2/9/12 - The Des Moines Register reports that Karl Brooks, EPA Region VII Director, told agribusiness officials Tuesday, February 8, 2012 in Iowa that regulators wouldn't impose numeric standards for nitrogen levels in water that could impede the use of nitrogen fertilizers.

<http://www.krwa.net/newsDB/MainAnnounce2.asp?key=684>

**St. Louis Post-Dispatch - Clayton's big solar project will help power its new police station -**

2/15/12 - Clayton, which has set the standard for going green in St. Louis County, is about to make its biggest commitment yet — a \$1.1 million solar project to provide electricity to the new police station and its parking garage.

[http://www.stltoday.com/news/local/metro/clayton-s-big-solar-project-will-help-power-its-new/article\\_8edd7904-ddb6-5509-825c-d367bc8e4f7a.html](http://www.stltoday.com/news/local/metro/clayton-s-big-solar-project-will-help-power-its-new/article_8edd7904-ddb6-5509-825c-d367bc8e4f7a.html)

**KSN Ch. 3 Wichita - Fredonia bracing for loss of cement plant** - 2/14/12 - small Kansas town will soon lose its major employer that's been part of the community for more than a hundred years. The LaFarge cement plant in Fredonia is closing next month.

<http://www.ksn.com/news/local/story/Fredonia-bracing-for-loss-of-cement-plant/zHrNuQgGEkiLts67HnlsBw.csp>

**Kansas City Kansan - BPU to hold public hearings tonight on water projects** – 2/15/12 - BPU has made preliminary application to KDHE for the loan, the proceeds of which will be used to finance modifications and improvements to the Unified Government's water supply and distribution system operated by the BPU.

<http://kansascitykansan.com/blogs/nick-sloan/bpu-hold-public-hearings-tonight-water-projects/11715>

**Des Moines Register - 74 million years later, meteorite causing headaches for Iowa town** - 2/15/12

- For some 1,600 thirsty residents of Manson in northwest Iowa, the prehistoric meteorite's impact is causing new headaches as the city struggles to find a place to sink a new water well.

<http://www.desmoinesregister.com/article/20120215/NEWS/302150039/1001/>

**St. Louis Post-Dispatch - Crystal City smelter plans won't include former developer** - 2/15/12 - A plan to build an iron smelter here has stirred fierce debate for years, but a town hall meeting this week about the proposal was strangely quiet.

[http://www.stltoday.com/news/local/metro/crystal-city-smelter-plans-won-t-include-former-developer/article\\_cbf5f162-5c3d-53a7-8973-a09f26ccb2ff.html](http://www.stltoday.com/news/local/metro/crystal-city-smelter-plans-won-t-include-former-developer/article_cbf5f162-5c3d-53a7-8973-a09f26ccb2ff.html)

**Omaha World-Herald - Farm agrees to civil penalty** - 2/15/12 - A Gage County livestock operation has reached a settlement with the Nebraska Department of Environmental Quality. The DEQ said Waldo Farms operated a building and waste control system without a state permit for a nine months, beginning in March last year. <http://www.omaha.com/article/20120215/MONEY/702159856>

**Des Moines Register - Critic: Proposed energy bill amounts to 'nuclear socialism'** - 2/15/12 - A steady critic of MidAmerican Energy's proposed nuclear plant in Iowa said legislation intended to aid the project amounts to "socialism" and would cost an average ratepayer more than \$800 a year.

<http://www.desmoinesregister.com/article/20120215/NEWS/302150055/1001/>

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**U.S. Geological Survey (news release) - Nationwide Radium Testing of Groundwater Shows Most Susceptible Regions are Central U.S. and East Coast** - 2/15/12 - Groundwater in aquifers on the East Coast and in the Central U.S. has the highest risk of contamination from radium, a naturally occurring radioactive element and known carcinogen. <http://www.usgs.gov/newsroom/article.asp?ID=3104>

**CSPNet.com - The Great Cellulosic Hope** - 2/15/12 - Remember switchgrass? Made famous in President George W. Bush's 2006 State of the Union address, he boasted of increased federal funding for new ethanol feedstocks, including wood chips, stalks and yes, switchgrass.

<http://www.cspnet.com/news/fuels/articles/great-cellulosic-hope>

**Public News Service - Groups Sue EPA to Force Updated Air Pollution Standards** - 2/15/12 - California's Central Valley has some of nation's dirtiest air - some say even worse than that in Third World nations. That's one of the reasons behind a lawsuit to force the Environmental Protection Agency to update air pollution standards as required by the Clean Air Act.

<http://www.publicnewsservice.org/index.php?/content/article/24861-1>

**Politico - 'All-in' energy policy: Will coal be buried?** - 2/15/12 - Coal's victory dance after the death of cap and trade may prove to be short-lived. The industry landed a huge victory in 2010 with the demise of climate change legislation. But despite that win, and the Obama administration's vocal support for an "all in" energy policy that includes a mix of new and traditional energy resources, a variety of forces is pushing coal back to the brink. <http://www.politico.com/news/stories/0212/72877.html>

**Hoosier Ag Today - American Coalition For Ethanol Says E15 Could Help Ease Rising Gas Prices** - 2/15/12 - The American Coalition for Ethanol (ACE), a national advocacy association for the U.S. ethanol industry, today says E15 (a blend of 85% gasoline and 15% ethanol) would benefit consumers and that federal officials should immediately complete any work needed to allow marketers to offer the fuel for sale at stations across the country.

<http://www.hoosieragtoday.com/index.php/2012/02/14/american-coalition-for-ethanol-says-e15-could-help-ease-rising-gas-prices/>

**NRDC Switchboard - President Makes Some Tough Choices for EPA Budget, But Overall a Good Proposal** - 2/15/12 - The President's FY13 budget for the Environmental Protection Agency is essentially the same level as last year but there are increases in the budget for truly high priority activities that should be applauded. [http://switchboard.nrdc.org/blogs/sslesinger/the\\_presidents\\_budget\\_for\\_epa.html](http://switchboard.nrdc.org/blogs/sslesinger/the_presidents_budget_for_epa.html)

**Forbes - Coal Country Losing Luster** - 2/15/12 - While Obama's team thinks old coal should be tossed out or cleaned up, it is also donning shale gas the new fuel champion. But if you think the Environmental Protection Agency is the primary source of coal's troubles, think again. Abundant shale gas supplies are one reason. But so too are diminishing reserves, all of which take more labor and more money to dig out. <http://www.forbes.com/sites/kensilverstein/2012/02/15/coal-country-losing-luster/>

**E&E News - Obama's frack study to look past water** - 2/15/12 - The \$45 million multi-agency study of hydraulic fracturing proposed by the Obama administration in its 2013 budget blueprint represents an effort to broaden the examination of shale gas drilling from just water to air quality and other environmental concerns. <http://www.eenews.net/public/EEDaily/2012/02/14/7>

**Delta Farm Press - Times demand new approach to farm risk management** - 2/15/12 - Take a quick glance at any recent farm news publication and it should be clear that the future of America's agricultural landscape remains uncertain. <http://deltafarmpress.com/management/times-demand-new-approach-farm-risk-management>

**The Washington Post - Makers of genetically modified seeds say more farmers evading EPA rules** - 2/15/12 - Monsanto Co. and other seedmakers reported a threefold increase last year in U.S. farmers caught violating rules intended to stop insects from developing resistance to genetically modified corn. [http://www.washingtonpost.com/national/health-science/makers-of-genetically-modified-seeds-say-more-farmers-evading-epa-rules/2012/02/09/gIQAduKjBR\\_story.html](http://www.washingtonpost.com/national/health-science/makers-of-genetically-modified-seeds-say-more-farmers-evading-epa-rules/2012/02/09/gIQAduKjBR_story.html)

**WaterTech - \$364,000 awarded to Mo. town for drinking water improvements** - 2/14/12 - The EPA has awarded \$364,000 to Plattsburg, Mo., for improvements to its drinking water system, according to a press release. <http://www.watertechonline.com/drinking-water/article/364000-awarded-to-mo-town-for-drinking-water-improvements>

**Power Engineering - Will 'all-in' energy plan bury coal?** - 2/15/12 - Coal's victory dance after the death of cap and trade may prove to be short-lived. Despite that win, and the Obama administration's vocal support for an "all in" energy policy that includes a mix of new and traditional energy resources, a variety of forces is pushing coal back to the brink.

<http://www.power-eng.com/news/2012/02/15/will-all-in-energy-plan-bury-coal.html>

**Chicago Tribune - Study Points To Dangers of Children's Exposure To Coal Tar Sealants** - 2/15/12 - Children living next to driveways or parking lots coated with coal tar are exposed to significantly higher doses of cancer-causing chemicals than those living near untreated asphalt, according to a study.

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/health/ct-met-coal-tar-kids-20120215,0,3210022.story>

**Grist (blog) - Why Is the White House Sitting on Efficiency Standards?** - 2/12/12 - Although both Obama and DOE Secretary Steven Chu have said overhauling federal appliance efficiency standards and building codes is a critical priority, over the last year, progress has ground nearly to a halt.

<http://grist.org/energy-efficiency/why-is-the-white-house-sitting-on-efficiency-standards/>

**Los Angeles Times - Activists assault new Keystone XL pipeline bill** - 2/13/12 - With the U.S. Senate poised to begin debate on a bill that would greenlight the controversial Keystone XL pipeline as early as Tuesday, activists and other citizens have barraged the Senate with more than 350,000 petitions opposing the legislation in less than five hours.

<http://www.latimes.com/news/local/environment/la-me-gs-activists-assault-new-keystone-xl-pipeline-bill-20120213,0,288599.story>

**Huffington Post - TransCanada's Keystone Pipeline Schedule Extended Again** - 2/14/12 -

TransCanada Corp, the backer of the Keystone XL pipeline project, on Tuesday again pushed back its already delayed schedule for building the pipeline. That may signal that the company believes current GOP gymnastics in Congress, trying to force the pipeline to be built, will have little effect -- but that conditions will be more favorable after the 2012 election.

[http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2012/02/14/transcanada-keystone-pipeline-schedule\\_n\\_1276411.html](http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2012/02/14/transcanada-keystone-pipeline-schedule_n_1276411.html)

**Environmental Health News - Hearts and air pollution: Five deadly air pollutants on five continents** - 2/15/12 - Around the world, breathing a variety of air pollutants – in some cases for a single day – increases the chance that people will suffer heart attacks, according to a new analysis published Tuesday.

<http://www.environmentalhealthnews.org/ehs/news/hearts-and-air-pollution/hearts-and-air-pollution>

**E&E News Daily - Push to rebuild depleted U.S. workforce begins in the classroom** - 2/13/12 - A jump-start for the U.S. rare earth elements industry starts with a three-credit course at Iowa State University. Professor Vitalij Pecharsky's class is aimed at developing a workforce to help strengthen U.S. production of rare-earth elements crucial to modern energy, transportation and communication technologies. <http://www.eenews.net/public/Greenwire/2012/02/13/27>

**100 Reporters - EPA Oversight: Weighing the Parts, Ignoring the Whole** - 2/15/12 - Each year, the U.S. EPA gives the green light for a score of agricultural chemicals to come to market. But the chemicals the EPA registers for use have little connection with the frequently more toxic substances sold by the millions of pounds to unsuspecting American consumers.

<http://100r.org/2012/02/epa-oversight-weighing-the-parts-ignoring-the-whole/>

**BNA - EPA Proposal Cuts Water Infrastructure Funds, Increases Air, Water Pollution Grants** -

2/14/12 - President Obama Feb. 13 proposed a fiscal year 2013 budget containing \$8.3 billion in discretionary funding for the EPA, a \$105 million decrease from fiscal 2012 achieved through cuts to state wastewater treatment and drinking water funds. <http://www.bna.com/epa-proposal-cuts-n12884907868/>

**E&E News PM - Toxic-emission standards finalized for PVC manufacturers** - 2/14/12 - U.S. EPA today finalized new, stricter air emissions standards for polyvinyl chloride manufacturing facilities.

<http://www.eenews.net/eenewspm/rss/2012/02/14/9>

**E&E News PM - Groups see 'political statement' in proposed air budget** - 2/13/12 - U.S. EPA's budget request lays out an ambitious fiscal 2013 agenda that includes efforts to curb everything from fine particulates to carbon dioxide emissions. "It's clearly a political statement," said Frank O'Donnell, president of Clean Air Watch. <http://www.eenews.net/eenewspm/rss/2012/02/13/5>

**E&E News PM - Study finds 'strong association' between soot, strokes** - 2/13/12 - Air pollution -- even at levels below federal standards -- can increase the risk of stroke by as much as 34 percent, according to research released today. <http://www.eenews.net/eenewspm/rss/2012/02/13/16>

**Environmental Law Pro Blog - EPA Releases Inventory of Legal Authorities to Advance Environmental Justice** - 2/14/12 - Although environmental statutes could be used to further the interests of social justice, the terrain was not landscaped for that purpose. In an admirable display of integrity and transparency, EPA has now publicly released a guide for all lawyers, activists, and citizens to see -- and perhaps use -- promoting fair treatment and involvement. [http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/environmental\\_law/2012/02/epa-releases-inventory-of-legal-authorities-to-advance-environmental-justice.html](http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/environmental_law/2012/02/epa-releases-inventory-of-legal-authorities-to-advance-environmental-justice.html)

**Greenwire - House Republicans urge EPA to avoid settlement with enviros** - 2/15/12 - House Republicans are urging U.S. EPA to avoid entering legal settlements with environmental groups pushing for the release of new rules for disposal of ash from coal-burning power plants. <http://www.eenews.net/Greenwire/rss/2012/02/15/6>

**Inside EPA - EPA, Activists Defend SO2 NAAQS** - 2/15/12 - EPA, public health activists and environmentalists are using their final briefs in litigation over the agency's sulfur dioxide (SO2) national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS) to reiterate their claims that the standard is scientifically sound and that the agency's reliance on modeling to determine compliance with the NAAQS is valid. <http://insideepa.com/201202152390382/EPA-Blog/The-Inside-Story/epa-activists-defend-so-naqs/menu-id-97.html>

**Inside EPA - States, Industry Outline Broad Legal Challenges To EPA Air Transport Rule** - 2/15/12 - States, industry groups and others are outlining broad legal challenges to EPA's power plant cap-and-trade emissions rule in opening briefs for a large consolidated suit over the program, claiming the rule is inconsistent with both the Clean Air Act and a federal appeals court ruling that remanded a predecessor trading program back to the agency. <http://insideepa.com/201202152390385/EPA-Daily-News/Daily-News/states-industry-outline-broad-legal-challenges-to-epa-air-transport-rule/menu-id-95.html>

**Inside EPA - Clock Starts For Utility MACT Suits** - 2/15/12 - EPA is set to publish its final maximum achievable control technology (MACT) air toxics rule for coal- and oil-fired power plants in the Federal Register Feb. 16, triggering a 60-day clock for industry or other critics of the rule to file lawsuits challenging it. <http://cleanenergyreport.com/Clean-Energy-Report-Blog/In-the-Air/menu-id-783.html>

**Inside EPA - Transportation Agenda Shows Splits On Clean Energy** - 2/15/12 - Transportation and energy legislation working its way toward the House and Senate floor this week accentuates partisan divides over energy policy -- with GOP lawmakers pushing to include contentious environmental streamlining provisions for renewable energy and other projects while dismissing a separate Obama administration budget proposal that includes clean energy investments. <http://cleanenergyreport.com/Clean-Energy-General/Congress-Watch/transportation-agenda-shows-splits-on-clean-energy/menu-id-782.html>

**Inside EPA - House Transportation Amendments Ease NEPA For Clean Energy Projects** - 2/14/12 - House Republicans have floated as possible amendments to pending transportation legislation four energy bills that would streamline application of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) to renewable energy projects both onshore and offshore. <http://cleanenergyreport.com/201202142390257/Clean-Energy-Report-Daily-News/News/house-transport>

[ation-amendments-ease-nepa-for-clean-energy-projects/menu-id-202.html](http://www.epa.gov/region7/air/qa/qa-amendments-ease-nepa-for-clean-energy-projects/menu-id-202.html)

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<http://cleanenergyreport.com/201202152390403/Clean-Energy-Report-Daily-News/News/states-industry-outline-legal-challenges-to-epa-power-plant-trading-rule/menu-id-202.html>

**BNP - Proposed Superfund Cut of \$33 Million Would Mean No New Cleanup Projects - 2/15/12 - A**  
proposed \$33 million cut in the EPA's fiscal year 2013 budget for the remedial superfund program would result in no new cleanups being started and an expected backlog of as many as 35 new construction projects.

[http://news.bna.com/deln/DELNWB/split\\_display.adp?fedfid=24639848&vname=dennotallissues&fn=24639848&jd=a0d0r9d6x9&split=0](http://news.bna.com/deln/DELNWB/split_display.adp?fedfid=24639848&vname=dennotallissues&fn=24639848&jd=a0d0r9d6x9&split=0)

**BNP - Center Says 15 Carbon Capture Projects Can Store 35 Million Tons of Carbon Dioxide -**

2/15/12 - Projects that capture and store carbon dioxide emitted by coal-fired power plants and various industrial processes are slowly making a dent in greenhouse gas emissions, according to a study released Feb. 14 by the Center for Climate and Energy Solutions.

[http://news.bna.com/deln/DELNWB/split\\_display.adp?fedfid=24639863&vname=dennotallissues&fn=24639863&jd=a0d0t0v3b0&split=0](http://news.bna.com/deln/DELNWB/split_display.adp?fedfid=24639863&vname=dennotallissues&fn=24639863&jd=a0d0t0v3b0&split=0)

**BNP - Two Groups Follow States in Suing EPA To Force Action on Fine Particles Standard -**

2/15/12 - Two activist groups asked a federal court Feb. 14 to compel the EPA to review the national ambient air quality standards for fine particulate matter.

[http://news.bna.com/deln/DELNWB/split\\_display.adp?fedfid=24639858&vname=dennotallissues&fn=24639858&jd=a0d0t0m7p1&split=0](http://news.bna.com/deln/DELNWB/split_display.adp?fedfid=24639858&vname=dennotallissues&fn=24639858&jd=a0d0t0m7p1&split=0)

**Press Releases:**

Link to all R7 press releases: <http://go.usa.gov/Qx5>

None

**Fact Sheets:**

Link to all R7 fact sheets: <http://www.epa.gov/region7/factsheets>

None

**Upcoming Administrator/RA Events:**

\* New additions noted with an asterisk

**2/17/12** – Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis, St. Louis, Mo. Contact: David Cozad, 7587, and Julia Cacho, 7071

**2/29-3/2/12** – 2012 Combined Federal Campaign Training, San Antonio, Texas. Contacts: Mark Hague, 7546, and Julia Cacho, 7071

**3/28/12** – Joint Annual Conference of the American Water Works Association and Missouri Water Environment Association, Osage Beach, Mo. Contact: Julia Cacho, 7071, Karen Flournoy, 7782

**4/24/12** – Washington University – Environmental Policy Course, St. Louis, Mo. Contact: Beckie Himes, 7253, and Julia Cacho, 7071



**5/3/12** – St. Louis Regional Chamber and Growth Association Energy and Environment Council Meeting, St. Louis, Mo. Contacts: Becky Weber, 7487 and Julia Cacho, 7071

## **RA/Immediate Office**

**2/15-16/12** - Attend 2012 Governor's Agriculture Conference, Kearney, Neb. Contact: Josh Svaty, 7202

**2/9/12** - Nebraska Lead (Pb) Program, Regional Office. Contact: Damon Frizzell, 7560

**2/29/12** - Attend Just Add Water: Kansas and the Economy, Wichita, Kan. Contact: Josh Svaty, x7202

## **Other Events**

### **AWMD**

**\*2/21/12** - Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure (SPCC) Outreach to the Producers Cooperative Association, Girard, Kan. Contact: Alan Hancock, 7647.

**2/22/12** – East-West Gateway Meeting of Air Quality Stakeholders, St. Louis, Mo. Contact: Amy Bhesania, 7147.

**\*2/21/12** – Meeting with P2 Program members, USDA, Iowa DNR and Small Business Administration, Des Moines, Iowa. Contact: Marcus Rivas, 7669.

**\*3/1/12** - Commission on Emergency Planning and Response Meeting, Topeka, Kan. Contact: Fatima Ndiaye, 7383.

**\*3/9/12** – Redistribution of EPA Region 7 outreach materials to Education Network members, Regional Office. Contact: Marcus Rivas, 7669.

**3/27 – 29/12** - Annual WORKS Conference on Recycling, Household Hazardous Waste, Energy from Waste and Composting Conference, Dodge City, Kan. Contact: James Callier, 7646

**\*3/28/12** - SPCC Outreach to the Eastern Kansas Oil and Gas Association, Ottawa, Kan. Contact: Alan Hancock, 7647.

**\*3/28/12** - Eastern Kansas Oil and Gas Association, EPCRA outreach meeting, Ottawa, Kan. Contact: Fatima Ndiaye, 7383.

**\*4/3-5/12** - Kansas Local Emergency Planning Committee conference, Salina, Kan. Contact: Fatima Ndiaye, 7383.

**\*4/26/12** - SPCC Outreach to Sunbelt Environmental, Springfield, Mo. Contact: Alan Hancock, 7647.

### **CNSL**

**2/14 - 2/16** - Trial preparation, Sioux City, Iowa. Contact Yolanda Holden, 7414

**2/29 - 3/2/12** - Advanced Civil Environmental Enforcement Seminar, Columbia, S.C. Contact: David Cozad, 7587

**3/12 - 15/12** - FEM/TEM meeting, Denver, Colo. Contact: Alyse Stoy, 7826

## **ECO/EJ**

**2/16** - Meeting with El Centro, Regional Office. Contact: Tamara Freeman, 7094

**\*2/22/12** - Oak Grove Neighborhood Meeting, Regional Office. Contact: Tamara Freeman, 7094

## **ENSV**

None

## **PLMG**

**2/28/12** - Society of American Military Engineers Industry Day Education and Training Workshop, Kansas City, Mo. Contact: Chester Stovall, 7549

## **RA/OPA**

**2/21/12** – Carter Carburetor Superfund Site, Third Roundtable Discussion, St. Louis, Mo. Contact: Belinda Young, 7463

**2/21-23/12** – Community Interviews, Compass Plaza Well Site, Rogersville, Mo. Contact: Ben Washburn, 7364

**2/27/12** – Public Availability Session, 10th Street Site, Columbus, Neb. Contact: Ben Washburn, 7364

**2/28/12** – Public Meeting, Chemplex Site, Camanche, Iowa. Contact: Ben Washburn, 7364

**3/6/12** – Meeting with IDNR Legislative Liaison, Des Moines, Iowa. Contact: Sarah Hatch, 7199

**3/7/12** – Meetings with the offices of US Senators Harkin and Grassley, and US Reps Boswell and Latham, Des Moines, Iowa. Contact: Sarah Hatch, 7199

**3/8/12** – Attend Iowa Legislature Committee meetings, Des Moines, Iowa. Contact: Sarah Hatch, 7199

## **SUPR**

**\*2/22/12** - Remedial construction meeting with the Army for the St. Louis Ordnance Plant Superfund Site, St. Louis, Mo. Contact: Matthew Jefferson, 7520

**2/24/12** - Mercury and HazCat Training for First Responders, Kansas City, Mo. Contact: Eric Nold, 7488

**2/28/12** - Public Meeting at 10th Street Superfund Site, Columbus, Neb. Contact: Eric Nold, 7488

**3/1/12** - Kansas Commission on Emergency Planning and Response (CEPR) meeting, Topeka, Kan. Contact: Mary Peterson, 7882

**3/13-14/12** - FEMA's Regional Interagency Steering Committee (RISC) meeting, Kansas City, Mo. Contact: Dave Williams, 7625

**4/10-12/12** - Oil Program Manager's meeting, Washington, D.C. Contact: Scott Hayes, 7670

**3/27-29/12** - OSC Readiness Training Board meeting, location TBD. Contact: Scott Hayes, 7670

**4/17-19/12** - Region 7 Regional Response Team meeting, Kansas City, Mo. Contact: Janice Kroone, 7005



**5/1-3/12** - National Response Team/Regional Response Team Co-Chairs meeting, location TBD,  
Contact: Janice Kroone, 7005

**WWPD**

**2/15-16/12** - Nebraska Governor's Ag Conference, Kearney, Neb. Contact: Damon Frizzell, 7560

**2/18/12** - Kansas Inter-Agency Review Team meeting, El Dorado, Kan. Contacts: Jason Daniels, 7443,  
Darin Banks, 7224

**2/22/12** - Kansas State Technical Committee meeting regarding the Natural Resources Conservation  
Service's new water quality initiative, Salina, Kan. Contact: Steve Schaff, 7447

**2/28-29/12** - Kansas Water Conference, Wichita, Kan. Contact: Kurt Hildebrandt, 7413, David Garrett,  
7159

**3/1/12** - Kansas Rural Water Association workplan meeting, Manhattan, Kan. Contact: Stephanie  
Lindberg, 7423

**3/5-7/12** - 2012 Iowa Water Conference, Ames, Iowa. Contacts: Steve Kovac, 7698, John Reyna, 7021

**3/12-15/12** - Joint Water Quality Standards Meeting, Washington, D.C. Contacts: John DeLashmit, 7821,  
Ann Lavaty, 7370

**3/26-29/12** - 2012 Kansas Rural Water Association Annual Conference, Wichita, Kan. Contact: Doug  
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**4/16-20/12** - National TMDL/303(d) Coordinators Meeting, San Francisco, Calif. Contacts: Tabatha  
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